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Tug McGraw, who had 25 saves in the regular season, will try to save this one as he warms up. Let's go to Kirk County in Oakland, CA and the score here in Oakland, in the top of the fifth inning is still 3. Nothing Oakland by the blow is allowed. Only one hit, no.

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Run.

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The 8th Palm Jim Palmer out in the second with three double s in a single Eddie Watch, stopped them since, but right now the A's are sitting pretty leading 3. Nothing in the time of the 5th inning and now back to Jim Simpson of.

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Maury, Wills and Chase Stadium.

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Alright, Carter, we're reminded that when the game was called off out there on Monday, a lot of people thought that that was going to be an advantage to the Baltimore Orioles because Palmer would be able to pitch in the day's 4th game. He did not last up the second inning. It's three to nothing lighter blue who did not last the first inning in game one on Saturday in Baltimore, is still in there throwing A1 hitter.

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Well, here's Chuck McGraw. They said an all out trouble yesterday. Bases loaded in the minds of the 10th, 2 on and the 11th.

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Got out of it all. He's coming in with one out. Larry Stahl at third base. Al King at second base and Pete Rolls at first base and Joe Morgan was one for three today, plus a walk coming up.

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John Matt Wright.

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Out on the bullpen for the New York Mets and the organist here at Shea Stadium in New York playing that little Scottish reel for Tuck McGraw, here is Joe Morgan. The Reds are still alive, they're down by 5.

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Bases loaded one out and on deck. Captain Morgan is gruesome.

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Forget.

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Outside ball one.

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Down away, one ball, one strike to Morgan. Now the Met fans who are so sure that Sieber and the Mets were home free with the National League championship have calmed down perceptibly. They realized the three men are on and we're heading into the heart. The power.

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Of the Cincinnati lineup.

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Up high, 2:00 and 1:00.

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No runners stall at Third King at 2nd and Rosa perched.

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Popped him up.

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The Enfield fire rule in effect Haralson takes it two out.

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Mike McGraw and the New York.

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Mets.

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And all the way from the National League championship with Dan Greeson coming up.

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Racing today, one for 3 + a Sacrifice fly is driven in a run.

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That run was unearned. The Mets have been, or whether the Reds have been shackled in trying to get runs in this Series, 2 is their high watermark in the entire series. Recent swings like 1.

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First Game 2 to one, the Cincinnati on the bench, 9th inning, home run, second Game 5 to nothing. Matt Black in the shut off. Third game. Cosman wins 9:00 to.

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Two, there's a.

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Fight 4th game. Rose wins it in.

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The 12th. This is a foul.

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With a home run and we're in the 5th game with Chuck McGraw trying to save it for.

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Tom Seaver and the New York Mets.

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They have got every uniformed usher and dark possible on the field, but I don't think they're gonna be able to hold them back if McGraw gets freezing.

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Round ball holder. Welcome across home. And here we come. The Americans have him again.

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McGraw saves it and hits for the dugout.

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7 rounds, 13 hits, one hour for New York season the winner, McGraw gets it, two runs. One of them only earned 7. It's one out for the Reds filling and the loser. And as we saw four years ago, the miracle has happened again and sibling breaks loose at Shea Stadium in New York. The New York Mets.

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Are in the World Series starting Saturday afternoon, either in Baltimore or out in Oakland, CA on your right. The Mets coming to the dressing room.

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The Cincinnati team remains in the dugout. They have not gone to the locker room yet.

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You can see that the New York Mets have begun to come into their locker room. Those who?

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Can get through.

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Our crowds are dancing in the infield.

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And the National League season after 162 games, an extra day of baseball in the National League season this year, and then five games of the championship, the ARC wins it, and

that's the Lions scores. We gave you 713 and one seat of the Winner, 2 seven and one for Cincinnati.

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Billing and palooza.

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As Rob was saying, guess who's 1973 national champion? Would you believe the New York Mets? Well, you'd better believe that's what the scoreboard says. What you see coming down in front of us confetti from upstairs? They're trying to keep the field.

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In good order. Remember, in 1969 they simply tore the field apart.

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Caught a part and they've got to play here next Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday night in the World Series.

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This celebration will go off for some time and now let us go to Mary Wells with the man of the hour, Tom Seaver.

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Thank you. Jim Simpson. Out here in the clubhouse. In this chaos here, there were those in the National League champions. I got Tom Steyer here. The winning.

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To the day. And I'm Tom. Thanks, boy. What was your plan with your gamertag plan today?

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Well.

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Well, I I never. I never really know until I warm up in the bullpen, I didn't have much of any.

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Thing tried to get away with a couple of curveballs for some.

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Things right there.

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Pull some sinking fastballs and get some ground balls. Get some double plays. Get the ball on the.

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Ground. And did you feel like?

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You had come on. It's been a. It's been an uphill fight all year long for us and the injuries.

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Everybody says we're out of it and we gotta kind picking players.

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In the lineup.

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For six weeks and we won the cotton picking thing and we deserve it. We played like.

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Hell, when we fought like hell, well, I believe he deserved the two because that's why you hear Tom. Everyone is referring to this as a miracle of 1973 that I would like to believe that you.

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Came out of spring training feeling that you could win it. There was no doubt in my mind. The players we had, if everybody.

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Staying healthy.

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Where are we going to win? The thing where I got Miller's out for a month and Hells and breaks his hand and Brody breaks a an arm and and Jones is out for the torn tendon in his arm where those are the guys we least leave Florida and we think we can win and all of a

sudden now none of our plan. You know, we like anybody that are our big guns in the line up. Once we got him in there once.

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Healthy, we had it made. Thank you.

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Tom, we're gonna go back now.

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To Jim Simpson. Alright Marie.

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Dean is the same out here. The Mets for the second time in their expansion years have won the National League championship.

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And remember, coming up shortly is going to be the Oakland Baltimore game out in California. The A's put nail down the American League championship this afternoon, and Baltimore comes back. They'll have a fifth game tomorrow that you'll see on NBC. In any event, the World Series begins Saturday on NBC, and before we go and talking about Tom sibling.

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And I'm talking about Chuck McGraw. Remember the man called on the played left field today because Rusty stopped was hurt.

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Ed Brainpool, who got the Mets off to a winning start with A2 run single back in the first inning. It was a four on 5th inning that wrapped it up a wacky 5th inning and which there was a AA fearless choice when Greece and thought it was a force play failed attack. Garrett coming in the third, Jones doubled that, got rid of the start of Billingham. Gullett came on.

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And walked to man. When William Mayes came up, Gallup was gone, and in came Clay Carroll and Woody Mayes drove in a run and.

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Score again the final score, the deciding score, the New York Mets win the National League championship seven to two over Cincinnati. This is Jim Simpson, along with my world saying goodbye from Shea Stadium in New York and reminding you there will be a full report on Vice President's resignation from office on NBC's Nightly News at 6:30 Eastern Time.

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Tonight, followed by an NBC Special report on that resignation at 7 o'clock, 6:00 central Time and Co.

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Up the Baltimore Oakland fourth game of the American League championship, the National League championship is history. It's all over. The American has been repeated. Now we switch to NBC News.